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Stormy Budget Session

- Governor cuts short speech; exits Assembly within seven minutes of entry
- BJP protests create chaos; missing four Congress MLAs absent

Bengaluru, Feb. 6 (KMS& BCT)- The Karnataka Assembly's 10-day Budget Session, began this morning with a BJP uproar against the coalition Government which led Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala to cut short his speech to the Joint Session after seven minutes. The BJP said the coalition Government has no right to continue as it has lost majority.

BJP Legislators stormed into the Well of the House soon after the Governor started delivering his address. However, the Governor continued to read out his speech and wound it up after reading just two pages out of the 22-page speech copy.

The BJP leaders allege that the Government doesn't have majority because of the dissidence within the coalition, and in such a situation, the Governor cannot legitimise the Government by giving his speech.

"The coalition is making the Governor read a bunch of lies. Where is the Government," asked the BJP Legislators led by Leader of Opposition B.S. Yeddyurappa, creating a ruckus. With the BJP unrelenting to the requests of the Governor, Vala exited the Assembly Hall within seven minutes of his entry.

BJP MLAs troop to the well of the House this morning even as Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala is reading out his address.

When the House resumed after 20 minutes, the BJP chose to remain quiet even as the Speaker read out condolence messages over the demise of 111-year-old Siddaganga Mutt Seer Sri Shivakumara Swamiji and former Defence Minister George Fernandes, among others.

The four MLAs — Ramesh Jarkiholi, Umesh Jadhav, Mahesh Kumthahalli and B. Nagendra — who skipped the first Congress Legislative Party meeting in January, remained absent during the Budget Session as well. Meanwhile, Congress MLA Anand Singh, who was assaulted by his party colleague and MLA J.N. Ganesh, arrived for the Session, as the party had issued a whip to all its Legislators to be present. Singh, who is recuperating from grave injuries to his eyes and rib fracture, was wheeled into the House.

Apart from the four disgruntled Congress MLAs, two Independent MLAs — H. Nagesh and R. Shankar — who have withdrawn the support to the Government, too were not to be seen. Also, other disgruntled Congress MLAs like Basanagouda Daddal, B.C. Patil, Pratap Gowda Patil, Ramalinga Reddy and his daughter Sowmya Reddy too have absented themselves from the Session.

Kampli MLA J.N. Ganesh, who is facing attempt to murder charges for attacking Anand Singh, too gave the Session a skip. The Police are yet to arrest the MLA. Interestingly, JD(S) MLA Narayan Gowda was among the absentee MLAs.

Today's developments come on a day when rumours of Operation Lotus resuming began doing the rounds. The BJP had said, it was not averse to moving a no-confidence motion against the Kumaraswamy-led Government. Congress Legislative Party leader Siddharamaiah issued another notice to four dissenting party MLAs today to give their explanation to him before or after the Session.

City advocates boycott Court against lady Judge

Mysuru, Feb.6 (PM&SR)- Over 3,500 city advocates boycotted Court proceedings this morning protesting against the First Additional Family Court Judge alleging that the Lady Judge was not responding properly to advocates and litigants inside the Court Hall.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Mysore Bar Association Secretary B. Shivanna said that though the members of the Association had lodged a complaint against the Judge with Principal District and Sessions Judge and Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court, she allegedly did not change her behaviour.

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Mysurean-friendly *Mysuru*

The fascinating description of Mysore as the *City of Palaces* witnessed a change in its identity itself to *Mysuru* not too long ago. The city's name as *Heritage City,* appearing in the media nowadays more prominently than before is perhaps a cover for its none-too-complimentary description as *Pensioners' Paradise,* which has suffered a time-warp, prompting one to change the identity of the city to *Pensioners' Waterloo* as it were. The occasional reference to the erstwhile Princely State of Mysore, during the reign of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar for the best part of the last century's first half, as *Ramarajya* appears to be a mere memory in our times. Recollecting the past decades of living memory that witnessed life of Mysureans with their uncomplimentary profile as people of laid-back outlook is the prerogative of *seniors* among its senior citizens who have their mental faculties still intact. Their chagrin about Mysuru of our times witnessing metamorphosis is understandable, given its unfriendly ambience.

Describing the country as agrarian, particularly in the backdrop of attrition in its rural population and expansion of urban head count, is steadily turning to the region of myth. The cities of our times through which rivers were flowing in long past are now hosting flow of people and more so, their cars and two-wheelers.

The view of sociologists favouring free influx of people of one region into other regions of their respective local inhabitants from various angles, such as cultural enrichment through inter-mixing suggests a revisit to their time-honoured postulate, when one takes up the case of Bengaluru first and Mysuru next. Old timers of the State Capital feel lost in their revered erstwhile city of gardens even as they can be heard crying foul that the city's *lingua franca* is any tongue but Kannada. As for Mysuru, its skyline characterised by single-storey dwellings with modest and unostentatious architecture has slipped into pages of the city's history.

Without meaning to sound unmodern and regressive, one is prompted to make a reference to the broad-mindedness and hospitable attitude of Mysureans of the past decades in welcoming masses from other regions who have outpaced their hosts making the city Mysurean-unfriendly, similar to the fable of *The Arab and the Camel*.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

JAY or JAA?: ***It would seem no one in the government conveyed to the Rashtrapati Bhavan it had changed the name of its healthcare scheme from Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Abhiyan to Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana. The change had much to do with their respective abbreviations. The initial name abbreviated as PMJAA, which in Hindi translated into "PM go," while the changed name abbreviates to PMJAY, or victory to the PM. However, in his speech before the joint sitting of Parliament on the first day of the Budget Session on Thursday, President Ram Nath Kovind used the earlier name PM Jan Arogya Abhiyan.*** *— In Business Standard.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

A lady who hasn't washed her hair in 20 years

Brigton: A real-life Rapunzel from Britain claims that she has never washed her six-foot long locks in the last 20 years and that she only needs to comb her hair thoroughly to keep it in pristine condition.

32-year-old Frankie Cluney, an artist from Brighton, in the UK, started growing her hair long when she was six-years-old, and by age 13, it already reached down to her waist. She used to hate washing her hair because getting all the shampoo and conditioner out of it with the shower and then drying it took so long, so when a friend of her mother suggested she simply stop washing it, she decided to do just that. The first few months her long hair was very greasy and her scalp was a bit itchy, but all those problems eventually went away, and she has reportedly done nothing but comb it thoroughly ever since.

City bans walking dogs in public places

Tehran: In a long-standing effort to discourage dog ownership in the Islamic country, authorities in Tehran, the capital city of Iran, have enforced a ban on dog walking in public places like streets and parks.

Police chief, Hossein Rahimi, recently announced that he has received permission from the Tehran Prosecutor's Office to take measures against people walking dogs in public spaces. These measures include fines and confiscation. Though dogs create "fear and anxiety" among members of the public, many consider this ban to be an effort by Iranian authorities to discourage dog ownership. Canines are considered unclean or impure by the country's religious leaders.

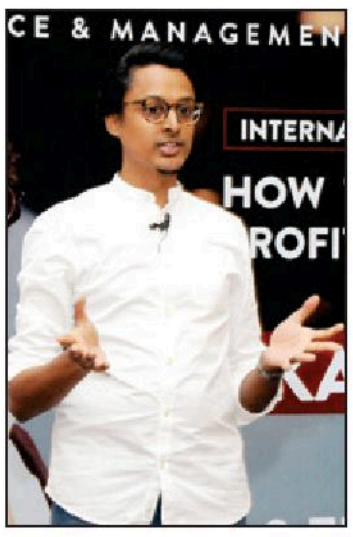
HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What fish are the most contaminated?

Among the most contaminated of all fish are sharks, since they eat fish that are already contaminated with mercury. Other fish with high contamination levels are: Swordfish, mackerel, tilefish, albacore tuna and tuna steaks.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

UK-based entrepreneur at Sapient College



Mysuru, Feb.6 - Sapient College of Commerce & Management, Mysuru, believes that a student's growth happens not only in the four walls of a classroom, but through various other extracurricular activities.

Sapientia'19, the Annual National-level Fest for the year has an array of events focusing on giving opportunities and a new learning experience to people in the areas of their interest, be it sports, cultural competitions, management fest or workshop.

Under the series of events, a workshop by Kavit Haria, a UK-based entrepreneur, best-selling author and business partner of Jay Shetty, on Sunday aimed at giving a learning experience to people of all age groups, who are interested in knowing how an online business is built.

Really...?

- ***The students in China receive the most homework in the world. At an average, teenagers do a whopping 14 hours of homework in a week. Consider yourself lucky, you didn't have to!***
- ***Pakistan does not give children a legal right to free education. Only children between the ages of 5 and 9 are entitled to compulsory education.***
- ***France has the shortest school year from August to June and also the longest school day.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Mulla Nasrudin sat fishing in a bucket of water. A visitor, wishing to be friendly, asked, "How many have you caught?" "YOU ARE THE NINTH," said Nasrudin !!

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs.71.52
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 92.65
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.47
1 Euro	= Rs. 81.53

VOICE OF THE READER

Suggestions to improve condition of street dogs

Sir,

Dogs are considered as man's best companion and a loyal friend. But we find discrimination here too. Dogs that are considered pedigree are taken home and taken care of while other dogs are considered strays and left to fend for themselves on the street. The condition of stray dogs is pathetic not only in Mysuru but all over. They are a part of society and should not be ignored. They have no security and no measures to take care of them. Most of the strays are not vaccinated exposing them to number of diseases.

Our Government should not ignore these helpless animals and at least build water pots in streets to provide strays with drinking water. Care should be taken to neuter these animals so that they do not increase in population and suffer the life they have been suffering.

There are many NGOs and voluntary organisations who come forward to neutral animals but the percentage of dogs benefited from this is very small. Measures should also be taken to abolish thirst and hunger that these poor animals face.

The city of Soledad de Graciano Sanchez, Mexico, has already taken steps to ensure the health of its animals in 2019. They have taken measures to provide food to strays. The least we can do now is provide our strays with water pots.

—**Shivali Amin**
Mysuru
2.2.2019

Provide direct bus from Srirampura

Sir,

I would like to bring to your kind attention that there is no direct bus connectivity from Srirampura to Vijayanagar or Bogadi or J.P. Nagar or Ramakrishnanagar. It would be helpful, if it is provided as Srirampura also happens to be a well-populated area.

—**S.N.Sowmya**
Srirampura 4.2.2019

Academic Bootcamp for budding entrepreneurs from Feb. 9

Mysuru's first Accelerator for Start-Ups

Mysuru, Feb. 6- Silicon Road, Mysuru's first Accelerator for Start-Ups, will conduct its first Bootcamp for budding entrepreneurs in Mysuru that will help in identifying and bring together talented University students and recent graduates for a hands-on workshop to start their entrepreneurial journey.

Participants will go from an idea stage to a prototype in four sessions spread across three weekends (Feb. 9, 10, 16 and 23) through guided activities.

Participants must come in teams of 3-5 in number and with a deposit fee of Rs. 1,000, which will be returned to teams that complete the programme.

Interested may register at: *https://siliconroad.us/academic-bootcamp* before Feb. 7.

"This is a launchpad for the Start-Up ecosystem in Mysuru," said Sid Mookerji, CEO of Silicon Road Accelerator which is conducting this event in partnership with NUMA, a France Headquartered Accelerator.

Adoption of Zoo Jaguar

Mysuru, Feb. 6- Rajeshwari C. Madhukiran of Rajeshwari Enterprises, Bengaluru, has adopted the 'Jaguar' of Mysuru Zoo for one year from 1.1.2019 to 31.12.2019, by making a payment of Rs.35,000 under the Zoo's animal adoption scheme.

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NEWS BRIEFS

National Seminar

As part of its decennial celebrations, the Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusion Policy, University of Mysore (UoM), in association with Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, will be conducting a two-day National Workshop on 'The Agrarian Crisis and Farmer Suicides in India: Reasons, Effects and Solutions' on Feb.7 and 8 in the University campus, Manasagangothri. Interested teachers, researchers, college faculty, farmers and representatives of NGOs and voluntary organisations can take part. For details, call: 94807-71681.

Mata Amritanandamayi in city on Feb.19, 20

As part of Mata Amritanandamayi's visit to the city on Feb.19 and 20, city's Mata Amritanandamayi Math will take out Rath Yatras in city from Feb.7 to 18. MLA L. Nagendra will inaugurate the Yatra in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate at 9 am tomorrow (Feb.7). Former MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar will be the chief guest. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2542682 or 2343479, according to a press release.

Professional training

Central Institute of Plastics Engineering and Technology (CIPET), Hebbal Industrial Area, in association with the Department of Industries and Commerce, will be conducting professional training programmes of six months duration for which it has invited registration from eligible candidates belonging to SC/ST communities. SC/ST candidates, having SSLC, ITI, Diploma, Degree, Engineering Degree and aged between 18 and 35 years are eligible to apply. Last date for registration at CIPET is Feb.11. For details, call Ph: 0821-2510619 or Mob: 78999-86444, according to a press release.

Ph.D awardees

Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras, has awarded Ph.D in Hindi to P. Shilpa for her thesis titled 'Sudarshana Majitiya Ke Sahitya Mein Vyangya' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Amarjyothi.

The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Hindi to T. Mohana for his thesis titled 'Dayaprakash Sinha Ka Natak Sahitya Ek Anusilan' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Namadev M. Gouda.

Seven injured as gas-filled balloons burst at Suttur Jathra

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji has a lucky escape

Mysuru, Feb.6 (RK&BCT)- As many as seven people, including MLC Marithibbegowda, were injured while Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji of Suttur Mutt escaped unhurt, when gas-filled balloons exploded during inauguration of wrestling competition during the annual Suttur Fair yesterday.

The incident took place during the inaugural ceremony of the Wrestling Tournament, held as part of fifth day of the annual six-day Suttur Shivarathreeshwara Shivayogigala Jathra Mahotsava, popularly known as 'Suttur Jathra' or 'Suttur Fair' held on the banks of Kapila River in Nanjangud taluk, about 28 km from here.

Five bunches of balloons, filled with gas, were held up by the organisers to be released to mark the inauguration of the wrestling tournament. They exploded as the flames of the sports torch touched them due to the wind. The balloons were being held by a few persons standing behind the Seer. The burst of the balloons caused a commotion at the venue and injured a few. The people in the arena ran helter-skelter out of fear.

Over 15 persons have sustained minor injuries and seven of them have been admitted at JSS Super-speciality Hospital. People who sustained minor injuries were treated at Primary Healthcare Centre in Suttur. The admitted persons are Kalegowda of Hampanahalli in Hassan, Ravikumar, P. Venkataswamy, Chokkamurthy, Kalmalli Shivakumar of Mysuru, Praveen Kumar of Nanjangud and Shivu of Hosahalli in Srirangapatna.

They were mostly mild burn injuries on the cheek and face, according to sources in the Mutt. The Seer, who was wearing a scarf around his neck and head, was immediately rushed to the guest house. He later issued a statement clarifying that there is no need for anxiety over his condition. It was not a major incident, he clarified.

The Seer said, "I am fine and there is no need for the devotees to get anxious. It is a minor incident. As the balloons were yellow in colour, it looked like it was a big explosion. The other programmes related to the Jathra are being held without hindrance."

Several people, including Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, Deputy Chief Minster Dr. G. Parameshwara and Siddaganga Mutt Seer Sri Siddalinga Swamiji inquired about the Seer's well-being over phone. The Seer told them that it was a minor incident and he was fine.

There were efforts to identify the gas used to fill the balloons and the Mutt authorities as well as the Police officials not sure of the same. While the authorities in the Mutt claimed it could have been either nitrogen or helium, a Police officer claimed it could be hydrogen.

Experts said that nitrogen is not inflammable as 70 percent of the air contains nitrogen. Later, the Mutt authorities issued a press release that stated that it was helium that was used to fill the balloon.

S. Shivakumar, Secretary of Suttur Shivarathreeshwara Jathra Mahotsava, clarified that it was a minor incident and people sustained injuries due to the sudden burst of heat.

He said that the Seer was fine and was giving Darshan to devotees. All the injured are being treated at the JSS Super-speciality Hospital and there was no need to panic as they are all out of danger, he added.

Wrestling Tournament

However, the wrestling bout saw Pailwan Rahul Shapuri of Kollapur and Pailwan Siddappa of Kalaburagi in a tight fight for 'Suttur Kesari' award. Despite both the wrestlers sweating it out in the arena for two hours, the bout ended in a draw.

With the 'Suttur Kesari' award remaining with the organisers as the bout ended in the draw, the organisers presented a cash prize of Rs.20,000 to Pailwan Rahul Shapuri and Rs.18,000 to Pailwan Siddappa.

In the bout between Pailwan Chandan of Mysuru and Pailwan Bharat of Udbur for 'Suttur Kumar' award, Bharat defeated Chandan and bagged the award.

Seer calls upon people to follow the path of Dharma

Nanjangud, Feb.6 (MTY&DM)- Tumakuru Siddaganga Mutt Seer Sri Siddalinga Swamiji has called upon the people to follow the path of Dharma and to inculcate human values. The Seer was delivering a discourse at the Religious Meet at Suttur Jathra Mahotsava on Sunday. Pointing out that every religion — Islam, Christian and Hindu — has explained the essence of religion, Sri Siddalinga Swamiji said that all religions have advocated harmony and humanity.

Noting that everyone should understand Basavanna's philosophy 'Dayave Dharmada Moolavayya,' he said that treading the path of Dharma will take one to greater heights.

Observing that ignoring Dharma will take one to the path of destruction, the Seer regretted that the society was witnessing lack of peace and happiness, despite having all the facilities.

Noting that our inner mind will always be thinking about good and bad, he said that all evil thoughts must be destroyed for a peaceful and purposeful society.

Complimenting the Suttur Mutt for organising annual Suttur Jathra, which is aimed at taking everyone on the path of 'Bhakti Marga,' he said that the Jathra largely helps in creating religious awareness among the people.

Recalling the services of late Siddaganga Mutt Seer Sri Shivakumara Swamiji, who passed away at Tumakuru recently, Sri Siddalinga Swamiji said that although the Seer has physically departed from us, he will be always etched in the memory of crores of people.

Maintaining that Siddaganga Mutt and Suttur Mutt were like the two eyes of the society, he recalled how Suttur Mutt Seer and the late Siddaganga Seer worked together for the betterment of the society.

S.B. Mohammad Darimi of Dakshina Kannada Central Juma Masjid said that there were no issues between religions. But those in power are making an issue out of it for political gains and this has resulted in problems.

Claiming that the philosophy similar to Basavanna's can also be found in Islam, he said that Hindu, Islam and Christian religions should have a common thinking for the development of mankind.

Referring to the recent controversial remarks by some political leaders targeting one religion, Mohammad said that speeches should be more focused on uniting people rather than dividing them.

Union Minister Anant Kumar Hegde too spoke on the occasion. Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and Hosmutt Seer Sri Chidananda Swamiji graced the occasion.

Legislators Amaregowda Bayyapura and K.C. Kondaiah, Mandya MP L.R. Shivaramegowda, Catholic Priest Leslie Moraes, International Religious expert Dr. James C. Griffiths, Kundur Mutt Seer Sri Sharath Chandra Swamiji and others were present.

Mudukuthore Jathra from tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.6- Mudukuthore Jathra festival including Sri Brahmarambha Mallikarjunaswamy Rathotsava near Talakad in T. Narasipura taluk will be held from Feb. 7 to 23, said Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar.

Various rituals like Ankurarpane on Feb. 7, Dhwajarohana on Feb. 8, Chandramandalarohana on Feb. 9, Ananthapeetarohanostava on Feb. 10, Pushpamantaparohana on Feb. 11, Vrishabharohanotsava on Feb. 12, Girijakalyangajarohana on Feb. 13, Srimadbhavya Brahmarathotsava on Feb. 14, Chitraratha and Shayanotsava on Feb. 15, Thirthannotsava and Pallakkiutsava on Feb. 16, Teppotsava on Feb. 17, Mariteppotsava on Feb. 18, Kailasavahanotsava on Feb. 19, Mantapotosava on Feb. 20, Giri Pradhakshine on Feb. 21, Parvatha Parishe on Feb. 22 and Mahabhisheka Shettara Seve on Feb. 23 will be held, according to a press release.

Power disruption tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 6- Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas:

Seetharanga Hospital, Lakshmipuram, Hosakeri, Sunnadakeri, Rehamanya Mohalla, Jain Bhavan, Kakalawadi, D. Subbaiah Road, Dewan's Road and surrounding areas, according to a press release from CESC.

Copyrighted books invited

Mysuru, Feb.6 - The Department of Public Libraries has invited applications for selection of copyrighted books registered between 2018 and Feb. 11, 2019.

Interested may send a copy of books along with copyrighted register letter to the Office of Deputy Director, Department of Library, Visveshwaraiah Mukhyagopura, 4th Floor, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru - 560001 before Feb. 12 by 5 pm. They should submit the same in the prescribed application forms after downloading the same from the official website of the Department *www.karnatakapubliclibrary.gov.in* or from the Office of the Deputy Directors of all District Central Libraries. For details contact Ph: 080-22864990 or 22867358.

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sealed item rate tenders in the prescribed form are invited by the Principal, SJCE on behalf of JSS Mahavidyapeeta, Mysore from the registered Civil contractors of State/PWD/CPWD and JSS MVP for the below mentioned works.

Sl No.	Name of Work	Amount Put to tender	EMD in	Cost of tender form + GST (to be paid through DD only)	Time allowed for completion	Class of Contractor	Reservation
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			
1.	Repair of existing windows, doors, waterproofing treatment and replacing of damaged CC flooring with vitrified tiles flooring with painting work to corridor at SF of E&C dept. at SJCE, JSS TI Campus, Mysuru.	490000.00	12,250.00	500.00 + GST	20 Days	Class III and above	General
2.	Replacing of damaged CC flooring with vitrified tiles flooring, providing painting work to corridor at GF of ENV dept. at SJCE, JSS TI Campus, Mysuru.	480000.00	12,000.00	500.00 + GST	20 Days	Class III and above	General
3.	Replacing of damaged CC flooring with vitrified tiles flooring, providing painting work to corridor at FF of ENV dept. at SJCE, JSS TI Campus, Mysuru.	435000.00	10,875.00	500.00 + GST	20 Days	Class III and above	SC
4.	Replacing of damaged CC flooring with vitrified tiles flooring, providing painting work to corridor at SF of ENV dept. at SJCE, JSS TI Campus, Mysuru.	470000.00	11,750.00	500.00 + GST	20 Days	Class III and above	General
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7.	Replacing of damaged CC flooring with vitrified tiles flooring, painting and repair work to corridor at SF of IP dept. at SJCE, JSS TI Campus, Mysuru.	470000.00	11,750.00	500.00 + GST	20 Days	Class III and above	SC
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11.	Repair of existing waterproof treatment with chemical waterproofing treatment to roof slab and painting to inside walls of earth quake structure lab of civil Dept. at GF SJCE, JSS TI Campus, Mysuru.	105000.00	2,625.00	500.00 + GST	20 Days	Class IV and above	General

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In this week's Pet Talk, Maneka tells what kind of fish can be kept in a tank and how to maintain them

Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi

What kind of fish do I keep in my tank?

First and foremost, do NOT get a fish tank. It is nothing but an ugly, cruel prison for creatures that need open water stretches. But if you absolutely have to be cruel, then remember there are hundreds of fish classifications, and each classification is unique from the other in terms of physical characteristics, habitat, diet and a lot more. When you're buying a fish, first do your research on it so you don't kill it. Millions of fish tank fish die in the first week because buyers don't know what to do.

Remember, the seller will give you misinformation because a) he doesn't know anything b) the more fish that die, the more you will keep buying just to keep the tank filled.

Should I know if my fish is male or female?

It is important to know the sex of your fish because a female fish will have different needs from a male fish. It would also be good to know how they reproduce or spawn, so you'll have an idea when you can expect more fish babies in your tank.

Is it important to know how old is the fish?

You need to know when the fish was conceived, not because you'd want to celebrate its birthday every year, but because you'd want to have an idea when it reaches maturity. In three years, it might grow to a certain size that you would need to replace your tank with a bigger one. In five years, it might already have reached its lifespan and by then, you should have already prepared for the inevitable.

Do fish sleep?

They don't have eyelids to close their eyes like we do, but fish do slow down and will appear to be zoned out. Fish don't go into a deep sleep like humans do, but their bodies and metabolisms have periods throughout the day when they are not as active as others. Some fish must keep moving to ventilate their gills, while others may lay down on a leaf or rock to sleep.

Do fish feel pain?

Fish can feel pain, just like humans. Fish have all the same senses that we have, along with their lateral line organ that gives them an extra radar like sense to process their surroundings.

Can fish make sounds?

Fish are often thought of as silent, but many fish can make noises by grinding their teeth or squeaking their swim bladders. Catfish are known to croak when pulled from the water.

What to feed the fish?

Learn specific details about the fish's diet and its eating habits. This way, you'll avoid getting surprised when you see the fish chewing on other beings in your tank. Make sure your fish will get proper nutrition, by researching on the best fish food to give your fish. Also, don't make the mistake of feeding the fish randomly.

There are various ways of feeding fish, so it's important that you know the feeding routines of the shopkeeper and follow this same routine as part of acclimatising the fish to its new habitat.

What do I need to do to acclimate the fish to my tank?

First, get all the things you need for the tank, the filters, heaters, rocks, plant, water and only then bring any fish home.

How many fish can live together?

It is not how many fish can live together but how many fish your tank has the capacity to hold. This will depend on the size and type of fish. Overcrowding a fish tank leads to competition for food, and poor water quality due to the waste being produced. You will also need to know which breeds of fish can live together. A good guide is to allow at least 2 litres of water for every 1cm of fish.

Why are fish flicking and rubbing themselves?

The most probable cause is skin irritation caused by skin or gill flukes — you should be able to get treatment for these either from a specialist shop or from your vet.

How can I test the water in my aquarium?

There are several water test kits on the market that are available from most good pet shops. We recommend that you regularly test the pH, ammonia (NH_4), nitrite (NO_2), nitrate (NO_3) and dissolved oxygen (DO) levels.

It is important that the ammonia and nitrite are at a very low concentration, and that the pH is stable. The nitrate level is less critical because it is not dangerous to fish unless at very high levels.

How often should I change the water in the aquarium?

Most aquariums should be cleaned every 2 weeks on average. It is easier to combine cleaning and water changes by using a gravel siphon, as this also removes any dirt and waste from the bottom of the tank.

Can I add tap water directly to my aquarium?

Tap water contains chlorine and chloramines, which are added to our water supply to act as a disinfectant. They are very effective at keeping the water clean for human consumption, but unfortunately, fish cannot tolerate chlorine or chloramines. You, therefore, need to add a dechlorinator to the water before adding it to your aquarium.

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'The King of Kings'

The Pied Kingfisher - Ceryle rudis, as it is called in Ornithology, is a Real King of all the Kingfishers. As the name suggests, Kingfishers are masters at hunting fish.

There are in all about 90 species of Kingfishers, out of which 12 are found in India and 8 are found in South India and in Karnataka; The Pied Kingfisher is the only Kingfisher with only black-white colours. Though both male and female look the same in colour and features, there is a distinct difference between the sexes — the male having a double breast-band of black colour, the female with one single black breast-band broken and open at the centre. The bird in the image is a male, his double black breast-band can be seen.

The Pied Kingfisher is the only member of the Kingfishers family of Alcedinidae, which has the ability for true hovering. Hovering, the ability of stationery flight, and also backward and downward manoeuvre. Though all Kingfishers can stay still in flight for a few seconds, they do not have the ability for sustained hovering with forward, backward, upward and downward manoeuvres. It is a sight to watch these Pied Kingfishers, hovering over lakes, and locking their target on the fish underwater and a splashing dive to get it. Their hovering is by far superior and no aircraft ever designed can even come close to it. Such is the ability of this Pied Kingfisher and aptly called 'The King of Kingfishers.'

These birds are solitary in nature and form bonding pairs in the nesting season. Nests are in deep tunnels, in the mud banks of lakes and streams. Both parents dig the tunnel and share all the domestic and parental chores equally, until the offspring are fledged.

Though the species is not threatened with any immediate threats to their populations, the degradation of their nesting sites — mud banks on streams and canal sides, the removal of their perching low trees on canal banks, are the threats that are not too far away. May the King of Kingfishers live forever...

[Pic. by SOM photographer M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav]

Magsaysay awardee calls upon teachers not to use corporal punishment to discipline a child

Vidya Vikas Educational Trust Secretary V. Kaveesh Gowda seen felicitating guest speaker and Magsaysay awardee Prof. Shantha Sinha at Vidya Vikas "Lalitha Smaraka Bhavana" yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Feb. 6- To create awareness among the general public, Vidya Vikas First Grade College (VVFGC), Mysuru-Bannur Road, had organised a National-level workshop on the topic *'Protection of Child Rights and Prevention of Child Abuse — Strategies & Prospects'* in collaboration with the District Women and Child Development Department. This programme was initiated by Vidya Vikas Post Graduate Department of Social Work.

Magsaysay awardee Prof. Shantha Sinha, Professor of Political Science, University of Hyderabad, who was the chief guest, defining who a child is, said the age is a debatable point and broke down the age factor into a child who is dis-empowered (0 to 6), 6 to 14 as the group for children and 14-18 as adolescence — but she stated all in this age group needs to be considered as a child.

She called upon the audience not to isolate the rights of children but to look at it in totality considering education, protection, health, child labour, etc., and said every right of the child is interlinked and equally important.

Narrating extensively on gender inequality that is prevalent in our society even to this day, Prof. Shantha, who is also the founder of Mamidipudi Venkatarangaiya Foundation, cited specific instances of how parents mistreat children thinking it to be a correction that has severe psychological impact on a child.

An anti-child labour activist of international repute, Prof. Shantha called upon teachers not to use corporal punishment to discipline a child and said only love and forgiveness should be the measure to groom a child.

"If corporal punishment had to be the strategy for correction then why not they be included in the syllabus," she asked and reminded the adults that they have a responsibility towards the growth and capacity-building of a child.

Deputy Director of Women and Child Development Department K. Padma and Director of Women and Child Development Kamala also emphasised on the need to use their profession to protect child rights and prevent child abuse.

A number of government officials associated with this programme were felicitated by Vidya Vikas Educational Trust Secretary V. Kaveesh Gowda.

He called upon all the participants to stop discriminating between children as happens within the family where the children have age gap of 2 years or more presuming that elder child is better than the younger. He lauded the Anganawadi, AASHA workers and Government School teachers for the excellent service they render in protecting child rights and preventing child abuse.

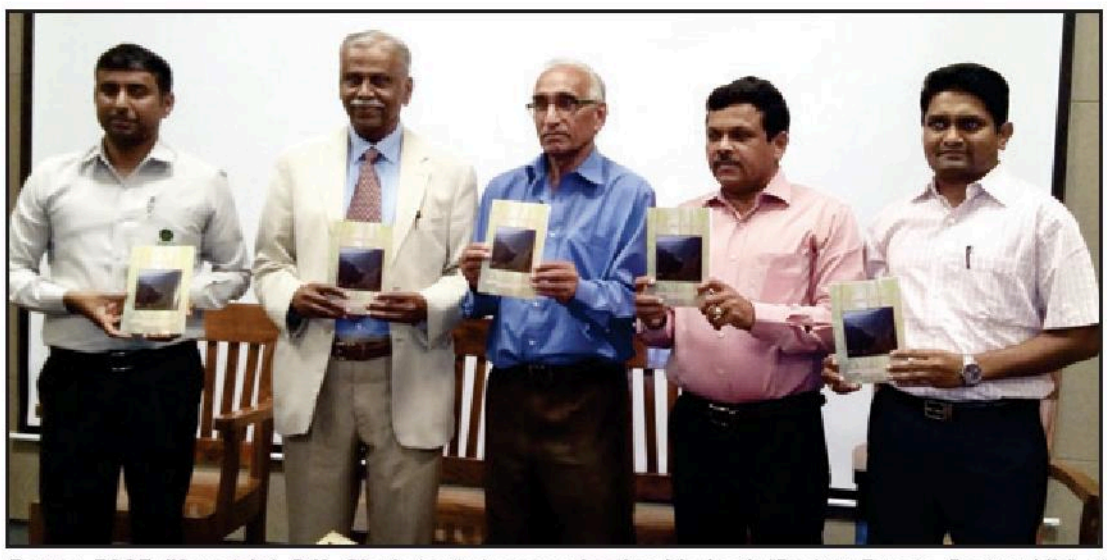
Director (Academics) Dr. Michael Noronha gave a bird's eye view of the topics covered. Dr. Mujeeda Banu, Principal, VVFGC, welcomed. Dr. VST Krishna, HoD, PG Department of Social Work, VVFGC, proposed a vote of thanks.

The technical sessions were conducted by Dr. Kavitha Jangam, NIMHANS, Bengaluru, who spoke on the term 'Abuse' — its forms, severity, modes of identification and psychological state of a child; Sujatha, Dy. Director Prosecution, Police Training Academy, on 'Role of family in current turbulent times to secure protection of children'; Prasanna, Head Constable, Juvenile Justice Police, on 'Proactive measures of child rights protection with live case studies'; A.S. Srinivas Raj Urs, Law Officer, on 'Prevention and protection of children from child marriages and other abuses.' The final session was by M.K. Kumaraswamy, DCPO, who spoke on 'Schemes by the Government and contact details for help.'

Kumar, Faculty, VVFGC, proposed a vote of thanks at the valedictory of technical session.

'State Forest Officers, Staff who took on Veerappan remain uncrowned heroes'

Former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests B.K. Singh pays tribute to unsung heroes in his book



Former PCCF (Karnataka) B.K. Singh** (centre) **seen releasing his book** "Destroy Forests, Destroy Life" **at Mysuru Zoo yesterday along with** (from left) **Zoo Executive Director Ajit M. Kulkarni, retired Secretary of the Forest Department A.C. Lakshmana, Member-Secretary of Zoo Authority of Karnataka B.P. Ravi and Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Siddramappa Chalkapure.

Mysuru, Feb. 6 (MTY&BCT)- He terrorised the jungles of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka for years before he was shot and killed by the Tamil Nadu Special Task Force in October 2004.

Elephant poacher and forest brigand Veerappan, with his characteristic bushy whiskers, killed several forest officers and kidnapped Kannada movie icon, Dr. Rajkumar before his free run in the jungles came to an end.

But the men, who hunted for him at great risk to their own lives in Karnataka, remain uncrowned heroes with the State government throwing away a list of 250 officers and men prepared by the Forest Department for suitable compensation, said former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF), Karnataka, Brij Kishore Singh. "The eligible have been denied compensation and there has been gross discrimination," he said.

The retired PCCF was speaking at an event held at the Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens (Mysuru Zoo) yesterday to mark the release of his book *"Destroy Forests, Destroy Life."*

"While the Police Department personnel who participated in Anti-Veerappan Operations have been rewarded with house sites and cash prizes, only a few Forest personnel, who also relentlessly fought the brigand, got compensation while many other officers and staff have been denied their right," he said.

Speaking of the government's scant regard for the forest staff involved in tracking the dreaded bandit, in his book Singh says the list of recommendations was tossed between the Finance and Forest Secretariats and despite his request to the then Forest Minister B. Ramanath Rai to clear the file it was never done.

"After their counterparts in Tamil Nadu were rewarded and compensated, the Karnataka Forest Department prepared a list of 250 men and officers from the Department who should be compensated for their bravery."

"In fact when G.V. Sugur was PCCF, the file was returned. The proposal was reworked and the list was brought down to only six. Some from the list of 250 had tried to take legal recourse and challenged the order of the government, but they have not succeeded," Singh stated.

The book has not only brought out the gory details of the brutalities Veerappan unleashed upon Indian Forest Service (IFS) officers and senior cops during the late 1980s and 1990s, but pays respect to 250 men from Forest Department who had a role in the anti-brigand operation.

The book also points out that one of the Cabinet Ministers during his visit at Haveri district in May 2017 asked people to cut down plantations in the forest area, occupy the land and claim titles. "This attitude towards the Forests must go in the larger interests of conservation," Singh said.

Retired Secretary of Forest Department A.C. Lakshmana said that the book was very informative and covers many interesting aspects of the killing of Veerappan. He opined that forest conservation must be given high priority and warned that the civilisation faces a threat of extinction. "If forests are destroyed, a day may come when we have to drown ourselves in Arabian Sea," he warned.

Capturing tiger without killing earns accolades

Tiger recuperating at Chamundi Rescue Centre; eats 8-kg meat daily; roars continuously at nights

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Feb. 6 - If the Maharashtra Forest Department and that State Government faced intense criticism for killing man-eater tigress T-1 *(Avni)* at Maharashtra's Yavatmal recently, the Karnataka Forest Department officers in the Mysuru and Nagarahole ranges have received accolades for successfully capturing the tiger which had killed three persons on the fringes of Nagarahole National Park.

The big cat was tranquillised last week at Aanemala, a dense forest area in the Doddabyranakuppe (D.B. Kuppe) range of the National Park. It is at present lodged at Sri Chamundi Wild Animal Rescue Centre at Koorgalli on the outskirts of Mysuru.

Night roaring

The male tiger is injured in its hind leg. According to Zoo Executive Director Ajit M. Kulkarni, the health of the tiger was improving by the day. "The tiger is eating 8 kilograms of meat every day and it has sustained minor injuries and there are scratch marks on its body. We have started dressing and medicines are being applied," he said. "The behaviour of the tiger has been aggressive. Till now it was roaming freely in the forests and now it has been caged. Naturally it is angry. It roars continuously in the night," Kulkarni added.

Mounting pressure to kill

If this is the present condition of the tiger, to capture or kill it, the Forest Department had worked out a detailed strategy. While the pressure on them from the villagers to capture/kill the feline was high, there were also strict guidelines laid down by National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA). The NTCA is a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change working for the conservation of tigers.

Though the Department had received orders to kill the tiger, the authorities had decided to kill the animal as a last resort. The decision, however, enraged wildlife activists who argued that the tiger was injured and should only be killed as a last resort. Eventually, the tiger was captured and not killed.

Camera traps

Before beginning the operation capture, the Department staff had examined CCTV footages in the cameras installed inside the forests. The camera traps showed two tigers and one of them was 8 to 9-years-old and the other was around 6 to 7 years. The tigers were captured by the camera traps installed at one place at two different timings. This had confused the officials and had proved a daunting task.

Pug marks proved key

Also, one of the tigers had lost its vision at a very young age. While the Department officers were deliberating on the camera-trapped tigers, what proved a clincher were the pug marks. Comparing the pug marks of the tiger with the ones that were recorded at Mallanamoole, Hullumutlu, Thimmana Hosahalli where the feline had attacked two people, the officials zeroed in on the big cat that had attacked humans.

People, easy target

The tiger had lost its strength to hunt and was pushed out of the forests by other territorial tigers and this made the feline to pounce on people, an easy prey. It targeted tribals who ventured inside the jungle either to answer nature's call or dig the earth to pick tubers. As it was injured in its left hind leg, the feline was not able to step properly on its tack and the leg's mark was not visible.

The Department personnel drew up a meticulous plan to trap the tiger. In all, six elephants including Arjuna, Abhimanyu and Sarala, were used for the operation. The elephants were divided into three groups and stationed at vantage points to ensure that the tiger did not escape.

Major capturing operation

More than 80 personnel and 10 officers took part in the operation. The operation was led by Nagarahole Conservator of Forests Narayanaswamy, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) Wildlife, Jayaram, Chief Conservator of Forests and Member-Secretary, Zoo Authority of Karnataka B.P. Ravi, Mysuru Deputy Conservators Siddramappa Chalkapure and Dr. Prashanth Kumar.

Guards and Range Forest Officers who had worked earlier in D.B. Kuppe range including Vinay, Muthuraj and Dinesh were deployed in the operation and they had knowledge of the places where the tiger could have hidden. DCFs Siddramappa Chalkapure and Prashanth Kumar were given the responsibility of bringing six cows to be kept as baits.

When the dart was fired

The tiger was spotted by guard Dinesh, who was proceeding inside the forests along with five villagers and the cow. As soon as the tiger was spotted, the villagers ran away. But Dinesh stood ground, took pictures and videographed the big cat and sent the same to his higher officials. Later, Dasara elephant caretaker Akram Pasha, who doubles up as Department sharp-shooter, fired the dart.

Even after firing the dart, officials and guards dithered to go near the tiger. Umashankar, a veterinarian from Bannerghatta National Park walked up to the tiger barefoot and fired the second dart. Only then the other Department staff closed in on the tiger.

Speeding vehicle injures SSLC student

P. Sriram

Mysuru, Feb. 6 (RK&KS)- A 16-year-old boy, who was crossing the road in front of APMC yard on Nanjangud Road, suffered serious injuries when a tempo ferrying passengers from Nanjangud reportedly rammed into him this morning.

The injured boy is P. Sriram, son of B.G. Prasanna Kumar and a resident of Bandipalya. He is studying in 10th standard at Gopalaswamy Shishivihara Higher Primary and High School at Lakshmipuram in city.

At about 10 am today, Sriram was crossing the Road in front of APMC Yard, when the speeding tempo rammed into him resulting in him suffering fractures on his hand and leg. He was rushed to a private hospital by the public.

The tempo driver fled from the spot, leaving the vehicle behind. As the news of the accident spread, residents of Bandipalya along with the public staged a rasta-roko by blocking the busy Mysuru-Nanjangud Road for more than 30 minutes demanding action against over-speeding vehicles on the stretch.

Vidyaranyapuram Police Inspector Omkarappa and Mysuru South Sub-Inspector Jayaprakash, who rushed to the spot, assured the protestors of taking action on speeding vehicles following which the protest was withdrawn.

Mysuru South Rural Police, who have registered a case in this regard, have seized the tempo and launched a hunt to nab the absconding driver.

MCC evicts over 90 footpath shops

Mysuru, Feb.6 (RK&SR)- After a brief lull, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) resumed its footpath clearance drive at various areas in Ward Nos. 59, 64 and 65 in city this morning.

A 20-member team comprising MCC Engineers, Health and Work Inspectors and Environmental Engineer, led by Zone 2 Chief and Assistant Commissioner Priyadarshini carried out the operation in these Wards from 10 am till 2 pm.

They removed all unauthorised advertisement bill boards, apart from petty shops which had encroached the footpaths and causing inconvenience to pedestrians and motorists.

The footpath clearance drive was carried out on Nrupatunga Road, Pooja Bakery Road, Vivekananda Circle, Vivekananda Main Road, Srirampura Road, Adichunchanagiri Road, Manandawadi Main Road, Nanjumalige Circle surroundings, New Kantharaja Urs Road and other adjoining areas. Over 90 petty shops that had encroached footpaths were cleared in today's drive.

Kuvempunagar Police provided security during the operation.

MCC Development Officer Omkar, Engineers Ravikumar, Dayanand, Puttanna and Kiran, Health Inspectors Basavaraj, Rajeshwari Bai, Preethi and others were present.

Tomorrow's drive

MCC officials said that they would continue the footpath clearance drive at Akashavani Circle, Yadavagiri, Gokulam, Brindavan Layout, Jayalakshmipuram, Temple Road, Kalidasa Road and other surrounding areas on Feb.7.

It may be recalled that the delay in footpath clearance drive was the main issue discussed at the recently held MCC Council meeting and the Corporators had taken the MCC officials to task for their failure to clear footpath encroachments near Mysore Palace and areas around Central Business District including Sayyaji Road, Devaraja Urs Road, Gandhi Square, Shivarampet, Dhanvanthri Road, Narayana Shastri Road and Chamaraja Double Road. Bowing to pressure, MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha and Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath directed all Zonal Officers to intensify the drive.

Journalism Department's Dr. Mamatha has not applied for Probationary Period Declaration: UoM Registrar Prof. Rajanna

Prof. R. Rajanna

Mysuru, Feb.6- University of Mysore (UoM) Registrar Prof. R. Rajanna, reacting to the allegation of Journalism Department Assistant Professor Dr. N. Mamatha that she had not been given 'Probationary Period Letter,' said that it was nothing but a conspiracy against him.

Dr. Mamatha had staged a dharna in front of UoM Vice-Chancellor's Chambers on Monday alleging that she had not been given 'Probationary Period Letter.' In relation to this, Prof. Rajanna addressed the media in front of B.M. Shri Auditorium in Manasagangothri yesterday and had said that according to law, she has to submit 'Probationary Period Declaration' application. However, she had not submitted any application, he alleged.

Earlier, when Prof. T.K. Umesh was the in-charge VC, the files relating to those who had submitted applications for 'Declaration of Probation' had been received in the Registrar's Office. Later, Probationary Period had been declared for all those who had applied and letters given. However, Dr. Mamatha had not given any application. Besides, as soon as Probationary Period was declared, she is not even appearing for work properly,he charged.

In spite of personally visiting the Journalism Department three times, she was not found in the Department. Hence, a notice was issued to her and she did not give a convincing reply but instead said that she was in the library with her students. However, it was found that her claims were false, Prof. Rajanna said.

She lives in Bengaluru and comes to work only once in a week and signs the attendance register for the week. There are proofs available to this effect with him, he claimed.

Dr. Mamatha has addressed me in singular showing disrespect. Her husband Prof. Nagesh Bettakote is the in-charge VC of Music University.

He had earlier approached me with regard to this issue. However, I had told him that action will be taken according to law. He was told that his wife had to submit an application, clarified Prof. Rajanna.

Dr. Mamatha gets 'Probationary Period Letter'

Meanwhile, UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, asking her to withdraw her agitation on Monday, had obtained the file from the Registrar's Office and got the letter signed from Prof. Rajanna, thus drawing an end to the controversy.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* here this morning, Prof. Hemantha Kumar said that the file relating to Dr. Mamatha's letter was already there with the Registrar when Prof. Umesh was the in-charge VC. However, the file relating to her was stuck in the Registrar's Office for long. Later, it was found in the Registrar's Office after a search. Thereafter, the Registrar signed the file, he added.

Elected as President, VP

Mysuru, Feb.6- N. Shivakumar and C.R. Sheshagiri Rao have been elected as President and Vice-President (VP) of The Citizen's House Mortgage and Housing Co-operative Society Ltd., Mysuru, respectively for a period of five-year term, according to a press release from the Society Secretary.

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W/o R. Mohanraj Kalingarayar (Ex MP) of Zamin Uthukuli, a resident of Bokkapuram, Masinagudi P.O., Tamil Nadu, passed away on 04.02.2019 in Mysore.

Her last rites were performed on 04.02.2019.

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CPK inaugurates day-long 'Kuvempu Sahityotsava'

Dr. CPK addressing the gathering at 'Kuvempu Sahityotsava' this morning.

Mysuru, Feb.6 (PM&NNN)- "Kuvempu is the Vivekananda of Karnataka who, through his writings, holds a mirror to the past and present. To understand Kannada language and Karnataka, one must study Kuvempu," said Littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar (CPK).

He was speaking after inaugurating the one-day 'Kuvempu Sahityotsava' jointly organised by Janachetana Trust and Grameen Trust this morning at Kalamandira here and said that culture, civilisation and nature are all reflected in Kuvempu's works.

"There is so much of discussion about the Constitution today in the country. But all aspects of it are highlighted in Kuvempu's literary works. He was always against superstition of any kind and fought against caste, religion and ignorance in the society.

His 'Vishwa Manava Sandesha' (Universal Man Message) will hopefully see the light of the day in the near future, he said.

CPK released the magazine 'Negila Haadu' on the occasion.

Gandhi Bhavan Director Prof. M.S. Shekar said that the different aspects and some rare photos of Kuvempu have been captured in the 75 pages in the magazine. Kuvempu, who was the epitome of patience, devoted his entire life to literature and brought out several works based on his ideology, he added.

Kannada Sahitya Parishat District President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna said that Kuvempu's influence on literature and society was very huge and through his writing, he took the Kannada literature forward.

A book titled 'Kalakke Kannadi — Vishwakavi Kuvempu,' edited by Raju B. Kannali and Dr. Honnaiah Honnalagere, was also released on the occasion.

Former Kuvempu University Vice-Chancellor Prof. K. Chidananda Gowda also spoke.

Janachetana President Prasanna N. Gowda, 'Negila Haadu' special issue Associate Editor Dr. Honnaiah Honnalagere, Karnataka State Resource Centre's Dr. S. Tukaram and others were present.

Swathi Madappadi sang Kuvempu's compositions and this was followed by a dance-drama by Dr. Kripa Phadke and team based on Kuvempu's works.

This will be followed by the staging of the drama *'Shudra Tapasvi'* based on Kuvempu's play by students of Lalitha Kala College, Manasagangothri.

Kalamandira was overflowing with students and the public.

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Armed Forces Officers felicitated

Mysuru, Feb.6- xCads, a forum of ex-NCC Cadets, felicitated the Armed Forces Officers, who are currently with the Mysuru Group NCC, on the occasion of 70th Republic Day recently. In all, 15 Officers were felicitated, including three in absentia.

Speaking on the occasion, Col. Kishore Belliappa, Group Commander, Mysuru NCC Group, said that he and his officers were very happy to have been recognised by the xCads.

He said that many NCC Officers were working for the welfare of the youth and the support provided by xCads was timely and helpful.

xCad B.N.Pramodh and xCad Dr.Sushma Krishnamurthy introduced the following officers, who were felicitated: Col. Kishore Belliappa, Col. Prem Chand Chigilipalli, Capt. M.N.Hemanth Kumar, Col. Ambarish Tewari, Col. K.C. Iyappa, SM, Col. Jagraj Singh, Col. M.S Ravindranth, Grp. Capt. Remula, Col. Manjeet. Lt. Col. C. Chandrashekhar, Lt. Col. Jagdish G. Nair, Lt. Col. Roshan B. Appanna, Lt. Col. Rippon, Maj. Pratibha Tiwari and CGI Aftab Alam.

Speaking on the occasion, Col. K.C. Iyappa said that the xCads and the concerned authorities were co-operating and supporting in various activities of Mysuru NCC. Mysore University has supported NCC activities by allowing NCC Cadets attending the various camps to take exams at a later date, he mentioned.

xCad Dr P.M. Shivaprasad proposed a vote of thanks.

The event was coordinated by xCad B.N.Pramodh. In all, 40 xCads were present during the occasion.

Colourful, vibrant atmosphere at Hari Jaathre

Mysuru, Feb.6- "Our ancient culture and tradition needs to be preserved and awareness should be created in the minds of our future generation about the importance of our festivals and celebrations. In this regard, Hari Vidyalaya is doing a commendable job, by organising such an event which is a mirror image of our ancient festivals," opined noted theatre and film personality Shivaji Rao Jadhav.

He was addressing the gathering after inaugurating 'Hari Jaathre,' a unique event organised by Hari Vidyalaya, Bogadi.

The main motto of this event was to celebrate the harvest season and Sankranti Festival, and provide an opportunity for ladies to exhibit their talents.

In keeping with the harvest season, the inauguration was done in a most traditional and symbolic manner, with the Pongal kept in a earthen pot boiling and oozing out of the pot, as it is done on the Sankranti day.

RJ Avinash of 92.7 Big FM, was present and enthralled the crowd with his witty remarks, and called upon the students to study without pressurising themselves.

Umesh, National-level Kho-Kho coach, was also present.

Ramya and Soumya, School staff, rendered the invocation. H.R. Bhagawan, Secretary, Hari Vidyalaya,welcomed the gathering.

The guests were honoured by H.R. Bhagawan and Prof. K.V. Satyan, Hon. Director of Hari Vidyalaya. N. Srivatsa, Principal, Hari Vidyalaya, Purnima, HM, High School section, Lakshmi, HM, Primary section, other staff members, students and parents were present.

The main highlight of the event was the Rangoli competition for ladies. A number of stalls, which had a wide variety of items including cosmetics, jewellery, herbal products, kundan works, textiles, etc. were the added attraction. Foodies thronged the food stalls selling chats, condiments, puliyogare, bakery products, panipuri etc.

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'Karnataka Ratna' award conferred at 'Hejje-Gejje' dance festival

The 23rd Dance Fiesta 'Hejje-Gejje' of Sri Nimishamba Dance Promoters was held at Jaganmohan Palace on Sunday. Sitting from right: Actor Anirudh, Actress Bharati Vishnuvardhan and designer Keerthi Anirudh, who were awarded 'Karnataka Ratna' award on the occasion, are seen with (standing from left) Jaya, Rekha, Sowmya Sridhar Jain, Sri Nimishamba Dance Promoters Managing Director Guru Vid. Sridhar Jain, former MLA Vasu, film Director Sudhakar Sajja and Pallavi. Picture left shows Vid. Sridhar Jain, accompanied by 350 artistes, presenting a dance feature on Kodagu and Kerala natural calamity.

Cricket Talk By R.S. Krishnaswamy

Virat, the 3 in 1 Genius

This guy would probably end up as the greatest batsman the cricketing world has ever produced. He can be classical, brutal and would deliver a magnificent cover drive and also powerful lofted shots in any form of cricket — one dayers, Twenty-20 and the legendary Test cricket.

The talk of the cricketing world as of today is Virat Kohli, the batsman. India is extremely lucky in having him as our leader in the cricketing world. The next year or two will be Kohli's world of cricket.

I decided to do a write up about this genius in a slightly different fashion. Therefore this will be a description of his batting which I have been watching (on the TV) every time he is playing in the last five years.

1. He was totally devoid of any talent outside his off-stump getting out there again and again "by poking" outside the off-stump wildly. He corrected himself suddenly about two years ago (thanks to the guidance of Ravi Shastri)! By standing 1½ feet in front of the popping crease and letting go any ball that pitches away outside the off-stump. He won over a major error in his technique.
2. For anything over pitched outside the off-stump, he could hit with tremendous power between cover and extra cover. Now a days he is murderous on anything over-pitched on or outside the off-stump and hits the ball "beautifully bisecting any two fielders for a certain boundary."
3. He has newly developed a bowler's back drive to the right side of left hand bowler and to the left side of the right hand bowler and this would be another definite boundary.
4. He has a stroke off his toes and flicks between mid wicket and square leg for a definite boundary and if the ball is bowled short on his leg-stump he hits it with a horizontal bat with tremendous power again for a boundary.
5. He does not make any effort to hook the ball as he is not very sure of that particular stroke. This is a brief study of this finest batsman of today.

19th December 2006, would probably be the most tragic yet professionally important day for Virat. He was playing a Ranji Trophy match against Karnataka at Delhi and he was 40 not out at the end of a day's play. He was poised for a big score and went back to his house in west Delhi. His beloved father passed away in the night of a heart attack!! The terrible news did not destroy the youngster (he was 18 years old then). He prayed and continued to play next day and made 90 before he got out and went home to his father's cremation. This journey that began on a chilly December night soaked in tragedy made him fulfil most of his father's dream of turning out to be one of the greatest batsman India and the world ever had.

Like most of Delhi's great cricketers like Sehwag, Nehra, Ishant Sharma, Gautam Gambhir, Shikar Dhavan etc., he hailed from a middle class family in Punjabi dominated area of west Delhi. Today this great cricketer has made himself one of the richest sports persons in the country making him earn more than $22 million (150 crores) that he says, "money is not my motivator but only playing for a winning Indian team is."

He married Bengaluru's own girl Anushka Sharma and now leads an extremely complete life, creating history in cricket every time he picks up the bat. He in a sense, is a prototype of the young millennial Indian with impetuosity and a passionate desire to continuously succeed.

Virat embodies an young Indian of 'smart phones' with an urge for upward mobility. Therefore even though this Punjabi youngster looks short tempered, he should be forgiven because he is out to give the best every moment.

Entries invited for Cricket Tournaments

Mysuru, Feb.6- Karnataka State Cricket Association, Mysuru Zone, will be conducting the Inter-Collegiate Cricket Tournament-2019 for Colleges affiliated to the University of Mysore (UoM) during third week of February.

Interested Colleges may collect the entry forms from KSCA office, SDNR Wadiyar Stadium, Manasagangothri, from today. Last date for entry is Feb.11. The Tournament will be of 30 overs a side. For details, contact the office of KSCA Mysuru Zone on Ph: 0821-2519900.

Koti Memorial Cricket

Vishwamanava Mysore University Employees Forum has organised Sri Rajaskehar Koti Memorial Cricket Tournament from Mar.8 to 10 in city.

Employees of Universities in the district, Police Commissioner's office, Taluk Offices, City Corporations, Court staff and even employees of private firms, who are interested to participate, may register their names. The players must compulsorily bring their identity cards during the tournament. Rs.30,000 and Rs.20,000 will be awarded to first and second placed teams respectively along with a trophy each. Also, 'Man of the Match' and 'Man of the Tournament' will be awarded.

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Sumalatha is not Mandya Gowdathi: JD(S) MLC

Srikantegowda

Sumalatha

Mandya, Feb.6- Even as actress Sumalatha, wife of late actor Ambarish, is yet to announce her decision to contest the forthcoming Lok Sabha polls from Mandya, JD(S) leaders seemed to have set a debate on her origin, caste and political prospects.

JD(S) MLC K.T. Srikantegowda, speaking to press persons here on Monday, maintained that Sumalatha was not a 'Gowdathi' but is from Andhra Pradesh.

Questioning Sumalatha's prospects of a win in Mandya, Srikantegowda said that when Ambarish was alive, he had clearly told that politics should end with him.

Pointing out that Mandya had already seen actor-turned-politician Ramya as an MP, the MLC said that politics was not a child's play and the people of Mandya had learnt a bitter lesson by electing Ramya once.

Referring to the possible candidature of actor Nikhil Kumaraswamy, son of Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, Srikantegowda claimed that Nikhil had actively campaigned for the JD(S) by touring the entire district in last year's Assembly polls and as such there was reasoning in the probable candidature of Nikhil from Mandya.

Fans stage stir: Strongly condemning K.T. Srikantegowda's remark that Sumalatha was not a 'Gowdathi,' members of Ambarish Fans Association staged a demonstration at Maddur on Monday blocking the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway passing through the town, for over 15 minutes.

Maintaining that Sumalatha was Mandya's daughter-in-law, the protesters claimed that the same Srikantegowda had lauded Sumalatha as the identity of Mandya when Ambarish's body was kept for public-viewing at the sugar town. But now he was questioning her caste and origin, they said and demanded an apology from the MLC.

Family yet to discuss Nikhil for Mandya: CM

Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy on Monday said that his family was yet to decide on the candidature of his son and actor Nikhil Kumaraswamy for the Mandya Lok Sabha seat.

Speaking at Meet-the-Press programme here, the CM asked why the issue was being debated when his own family had not even thought of the issue.

Ambarish fans upset

A file photo of JD(S) MP L.R. Shivaramegowda seeking the blessings of Ambarish.

Fans of late actor Ambarish, who are upset over Mandya JD(S) MP L.R. Shivaramegowda's alleged remark that what more was needed to be done for Ambarish's family, have taken to social media for attacking the Mandya MP.

The fans, who have posted a video clip in the social media that shows L.R. Shivaramegowda (LRS) falling at the feet of Ambarish seeking his support for the Mandya by-polls, which he (LRS) eventually won, questioned the loyalty of the Mandya MP.

Maintaining that Shivaramegowda's remark shows his ingratitude, the fans have warned him of severe political consequences if he chooses to contest again from Mandya.

MLA Ramdas flags off Karnataka Darshana

MLA S.A. Ramdas flagging off the five-day 'Karnataka Darshana' tour organised by Mysuru South BEO Office for High School students, at its premises in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Feb.6 (RKB&SR)- MLA and former Minister S.A. Ramdas flagged off the five- day 'Karnataka Darshana' tour organised by Mysuru South BEO Office for selected 52 High School students, at its premises here yesterday.

Mysuru South BEO Office will conduct this programme every year for the benefit of the students. The students would cover Melukote, Yediyur, Chitradurga, T.B. Dam, Kudalasangama, Alamatti, Vijayapura, Badami, Pattadakallu, Hampi and other places.

Prize for best travelogues

Later, speaking on the occasion, Ramdas announced to provide cash prize for five best travelogues to be written by participating students after their return from the tour.

Corporator Sowmya Umesh, South BEO Shivakumar, BRC Nagesh, Manohar, Head Master, teachers and others were present during the flag off.

Astrologer predicts fall of State Government by Mar.5

Hubballi, Feb.6- A Hubballi-based astrologer has predicted that the JD(S)-Congress Coalition Government may fall by Mar.5 due to inherent contradictions. Speaking to press persons here on Monday, Vidwan Ganesh Hegde, President of Akhila Karnataka Jyotirvigyan Samshodhana Samsthe, said there was possibility that the coalition partners may become bitter rivals ahead of the Lok Sabha polls and the State Government may fall by Mar.5.

Referring to Astrological Stars, Hegde said that former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah is aspiring to become the CM again and there was every possibility of a change in the Chief Ministership.

Asserting that Narendra Modi will continue as the Prime Minister after the forthcoming polls, with the NDA alliance likely to get more than 285 seats, he said that the BJP was going to win more than 15 Lok Sabha seats in Karnataka and Yeddyurappa was going to form the Government as the present Coalition Government was going to fall.

'Raj Bhavan Chalo' by Akshara Dasoha workers tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.6 (YDS&SR)- Members of Karnataka Rajya Akshara Dasoha Naukarara Sangha, District Committee, affiliated to Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU) will be staging 'Raj Bhavan Chalo' protest on Feb.7 to mount pressure upon the State Coalition Government to fulfil various demands in the State Budget (2019-20) to be presented by Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy on Feb.8.

Informing this to media persons at a press conference held in city yesterday, District Committee President Manjula accused that the Union Government which presented its Budget recently had failed to look after their demands.

She alleged that the successive Government at the Centre and State have been betraying Akshara Dasoha workers without ensuring job security, minimum wages, ESI and other facilities since 16 years. Both the Governments have been combinedly paying Rs.2,600 monthly honorarium for the workers at present.

She said that they have been working for more than six hours daily and they were struggling to eke out their living by paltry honorarium when the prices of essential commodities rising at an alarming rate in the market.

Manjula said as many as 1,18,130 Akshara Dasoha workers have been preparing the meals for 54,43,501 students studying in 54,839 Government-run, aided and other schools across the State and serving them on all working days, but the Government turned blind eye to fulfil their demands, she added.

Book purchase

Mysuru, Feb.6- The Kannada Book Authority has invited applications from book publishers for supplying books in bulk to the Authority. The Authority will purchase books that are first published in 2016.

The prescribed application can be downloaded from the Authority's website www.*kannadapustakapradhikara.com* or can be obtained in person at the Authority's office located in Kannada Bhavan, J.C. Road, Bengaluru or at the Kannada & Culture Department office in their respective district. Last date to apply is Feb.20. For details, contact Ph: 080-22484516.

Obituary

Ramesh

Mysuru, Feb.6- Ramesh (52), a resident of Ashokapuram, passed away last night following heart attack.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites will be held today.

Kempamma

Kempamma (75), wife of late Bommegowda and a resident of B.M. Sri Nagar here, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind sons Manju and Umesh, a newspaper distributer, daughters-in-law and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held today at 6 pm at the burial grounds adjacent to Metagalli Railway Cross, according to family sources.

M. Asgar

M. Asgar (78), of Bharat Service Station on Chamaraja Double Road and a resident of Siddique Nagar, Bannimantap, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind a son, two daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be held at Masid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road at 10 am tomorrow (Feb. 7), followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Chamaraja MLA directs Police to allow Right Turn at Sayyaji Rao-Dhanvanthri Road junction

Nagendra's action follows public appeal during padayatra in Ward No. 41

Mysuru, Feb.6- The Sayyaji Rao Road-Dhanvanthri Road junction near Bata showroom is one of the busiest traffic junctions in the city. However, the motorists are finding it difficult to enter Sayyaji Rao Road driving from Dhanvanthri Road side as there is no right turn at the junction. Hence, they have to take a left turn go up to Ayurveda Hospital Circle and make a right turn to enter Sayyaji Rao Road.

Sensing the problems following complaints from the public, Chamaraja Constituency MLA L. Nagendra during his padayatra with officials of different departments in Ward No. 41, here yesterday, directed the Police officials to allow vehicles to take a right turn at the junction. He also asked the officials to allow parking on either side of K.R. Hospital and Sayyaji Rao Road stretch.

The public drew his attention to the problem faced by them to reach Sayyaji Rao Road from Dhanvanthri Road side and he immediately directed the Traffic Police Officials to take action by clearing the barricades placed at the junction near Bata showroom so that motorists could take a right turn.

Similarly, bowing to the demand of the public for parking on either side of Sayyaji Rao Road near K.R. Hospital up to Ganapathy Temple Road, he asked the Police to allow parking on either side of the road.

He also wanted the officials to take steps to raise the manhole height in a few places.

Upset with the incomplete road works in spite of the completion of underground drainage works, he took the officials to task and asked them to complete asphalting work within two to three days.

Nagendra also announced some of the development works to be taken up in the ward, including concreting of roads behind Devaraja Urs Road, Seebaiah Road, K.T. Street, conservancies in K.R. Hospital area, changing of weak electric poles, drainage reconstruction from Narayan Shastry Road-Shivarampet Road junction up to Devaraja Market Road at a cost of Rs.50 lakh, and replacing underground pipes on Aane Sarot Street.

When the poor people living in tiled and sheet houses requested for safer houses, he asked the officials to take applications from them and find a project under which they could get better houses.

Noticing the weak condition of Devaraja Police Station on Dhanvanthri Road, Nagendra asked the PWD officials to bring to the notice of Housing Minister to either restore or construct a new building.

Ward No. 41 Corporator M.D. Nagaraju, Zonal Commissioner Mahesh, Assistant Engineer Kavitha, Irrigation Department Assistant Executive Engineer Harshitha, Drainage Department Assistant Engineer Ranjit Kumar, ward's Harsha, Badriprasad, Manjunath, Sachin Gowda and others were present.

Padayatra in 14 wards...

Since the last eight months I have undertaken padayatra in 14 wards listening to the complaints and grievances of the public, taken action and launched development works. Most of the works have been going on. The water problem has been more or less resolved. There are a few complaints related to UGD and they have been taken up on priority basis. On the whole, I am working hard to make my constituency a model one. I have opened an office in Jaladarshini Guest House premises and public can contact me to lodge complaints and for solutions.

— L. Nagendra, MLA
Chamaraja Constituency

'Online agents eating away more profits than hotels'

Hotel Owners' Association to cancel contracts with online agents; to sign fresh agreements

Mysuru, Feb.6 (OSR)- Hotel Owners' Association and Hotel Owners' Association Charitable Trust had organised a meeting of owners of lodges, resorts and service apartments at Kuthethur Seetharama Bhavana in Krishnamurthypuram yesterday to address the problems with commission percentage of Online Travel Agents (OTA).

Addressing the meeting, Trust President Ravi Shastri said that OTAs like OYO and Make My Trip were deducting a commission of 25 to 30 % from the hotel bookings and remitting the balance to the hotels. He contended that sometimes a huge discount was offered by the OTAs and added that coupled with commission it was a huge loss to hotel owners.

The Association is upset with the aggregators and accused them of affecting their business. The meeting attended by the owners of various hotels, lodges, resorts and the service apartments decided not to allow any aggregator, OTA or enablers to collect above 18% commission on any booking in any form. The meeting also decided to sign a new agreement with the OTAs on Feb. 9 where new terms and conditions will be added.

General Secretary of the Association Raghavendra Tantri urged the hotel owners not to sign any individual agreement with the OTAs. The Association members said that the OTAs must be enablers but they are making more profit than the hotel owners. Representatives of OTAs also participated in the meet and tried to clarify the issues.

Association President C. Narayanagowda said the Association will cancel the agreement with OTAs that are not resolving their grievances. He further said that a few OTAs like Booking.com, Yatra.com and Clear Trip had come forward to accept a commission of 15%.

Yaduveer unhappy with MCC's decision to raze heritage structures

'Heritage tag will be in jeopardy if we go about demolishing heritage buildings'

Yaduveer

Mysuru, Feb.6-Expressing displeasure over the Mysuru City Corporation's move to raze heritage structures Devaraja Market and Lansdowne buildings, titular head of the Mysore royal family, Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has said that the recommendation of the MCC Council is extremely disturbing.

Reacting to the controversial decision of MCC in his official Facebook page, Yaduveer said, "The MCC is the body entrusted by the citizens of Mysuru to protect our civic integrity, a major part of which is our inherited heritage. Thus, this resolution goes against the very ideals that the MCC should protect, furthermore the consensus opinion by various concerned bodies is that these heritage structures can be restored and further be of utility to our city."

Maintaining that Heritage as a principle allows for evolution, he called upon the MCC to heed to the advice, opinion of the concerned, qualified groups that have expressed this sentiment.

Yaduveer also cautioned thus, "Mysore's Heritage tag itself will be in jeopardy if we go about demolishing every structure and taking the easy way out. It may be pertinent to mention that these structures are in the current condition only because of the negligence and disregard shown to them by the concerned authorities."

He suggested the authorities to handover the restoration work to a reputable organisation and said, "I have always maintained, and continue to be of the opinion that our heritage is the lifeblood of Mysore and protecting it is our foremost duty. I propose that the Government handover the restoration to a reputable organisation that has the capability to restore the structures, and do the needful to ensure that our built heritage remains standing for future generations to enjoy."

Many of Yaduveer's Facebook friends have supported him in his campaign to save both Devaraja Market and Lansdowne buildings.

Meanwhile, District in-charge Minister has also assured that a final decision on whether to raze the structures or restore it will be taken only after consultation with Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy and Chief Secretary Vijay Bhaskar.

WORD OF THE DAY

Raddled

Pronunciation: RAD-uld.
Meaning: Being in a state of confusion, lacking composure.

Origin: The origin of raddled is unclear. Its participial form suggests verbal parentage, and indeed there is a verb raddle just a few decades older than raddled that seems a likely source. This raddle means "to mark or paint with raddle," raddle here being red ocher, or sometimes other pigments, used for marking animals. Raddle eventually came to mean "to color highly with rouge," the metaphor connecting the raddling of animal husbandry with immoderate makeup application. The "confused" sense of raddled is often associated with the influence of alcohol or drugs. That connection is in keeping with the word's earliest known use, from a 1694 translation of French writer Francois Rabelais: "A ... fellow, continually raddled, and as drunk as a wheelbarrow."
Example: The peacekeepers, cheered by crowds, made their presence known in each raddled neighborhood.

THE ODD WORD

Retiform

Resembling a net.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Rack and ruin

Meaning: Complete destruction.
Origin: It might be thought that the rack in this phrase refers to the medieval torture device, as in the phrase rack one's brains. This rack is however a variant of the now defunct word wrack, more usually known to us now as wreck. "Whiles all things seeme to fall to wracke and ruine." We finally get to the contemporary 'rack and ruin' in 1599, when the Oxford historian Thomas Fowler published The history of Corpus Christi College. "In the mean season the College shall go to rack and ruin." Judging from the accompanying picture the college seems to have survived the following 400 years quite well, and Fowler need not have worried.

Example: A lot of this stuff had been going to rack and ruin the historical heritage of the city.

QUOTE BOX

Success is when your signature changes to an autograph.

—Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

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Answer to previous puzzle

8	5	6	3	9	1	2	4	7
3	4	7	2	5	6	8	1	9
1	9	2	7	4	8	6	5	3
9	2	1	8	6	4	3	7	5
4	6	8	5	3	7	1	2	9
7	3	5	9	1	2	9	8	4
6	7	3	6	8	9	4	9	2
5	1	4	1	2	5	7	3	8
2	8	9	4	7	3	5	6	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Western alliance since 1948
4 David's army leader
8 Whetstone for sharpening
12 Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam, acronym
13 Declare or assert
14 Hot and dry
15 A period of twenty four hours
16 Castle or home, especially for the Spanish
17 Apportion or share out
18 Go furtively
20 Calorie in short
22 Post
25 Ties the knot with?
28 Blind script
31 Former South African paceman Makhaya ___
33 Ultra High Frequency
34 Sharukh Khan's ___ Ho Na Ho
36 By way of
37 Bo ____ : No. 10 heroine?
40 Abducts, seizes or carries away
43 Top-notch (1-3)
44 A stratum of ore or coal to be mined
45 A beam of light
47 Customary
51 Ms Bhatt of Bollywood
54 English college
57 As easy as a __?
58 Part of a plane
59 Send a ball up in a high arc
60 John Lennon's Yoko ___
61 Shoe string
62 ___down: disappoints or fails?
63 Religious woman

MONDAY'S ANSWER:

G	A	L		D	A	M	E	
O	L	E		A	I	L	E	D
C	E	O		U	N	C	L	E
		T	A	B	U			
G	O	A	D			P	T	U
N	O	R	M		H	E	I	R
P	H	D		T	E	R	N	S
			R	U	M	M	Y	
	U	R	A	N	U	S		
	L	A	W	N			D	E
S	T	Y		E	A	G	E	R
S	R	O		L	A	Y	E	R
R	A	N			A	M	P	S

T	A	E		M	O	A	N	
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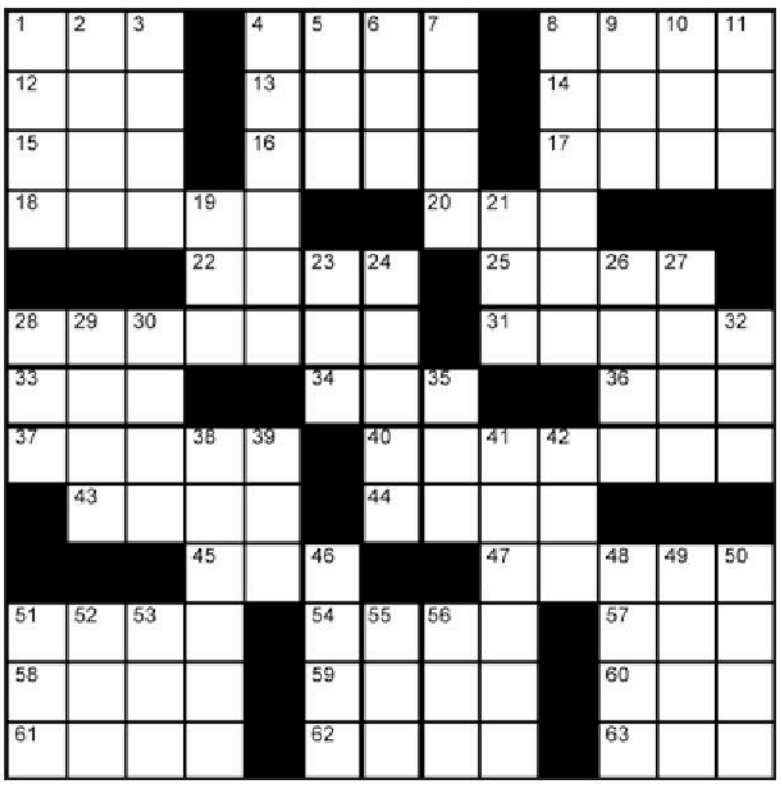
X	M	E	N					
			D					
R	A	Y						
U	S	A						
M	A	P						

DOWN

1 Betting price
2 Zeenat of Bollywood
3 Scottish isle - "keys" anagram?
4 Dog-like animal
5 Another word for 'eggs'
6 Roman bronze - "sea" change?
7 Bric-a- ___: Miscellaneous curios
8 Vishal Bhardwaj's Haider is based on this Shakespeare play
9 Metal bearing earth
10 The egg of a louse or similar insect
11 Dutch commune
19 The French for 'friend'
21 Bristle of barley
23 Class or kind
24 They permit unauthorised outpourings!
26 Prima donna
27 Cut off a bit
28 It will bloom into a flower
29 South America's "ostrich"
30 Hairdo of the dark continent?
32 Indian Administrative Service, in short
35 Falsehood or fib
38 Anger
39 Large NZ parrot
41 Frightens or discourages
42 Navigation Mgmnt. Sys.
46 Scream or shout
48 On top of
49 Original Japanese aboriginal
50 Exodus author __ Uris
51 Cobbler's tool?
52 Debussy heroine
53 Ind. Natl. Congress
55 One of five on your foot
56 Frequently



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

KLPKLA GNK ACL ACBTPZ ML EBE UIT HL ALJDLKLE HR ABJL; BA BZ

KLPKLA GNK ACL ACBTPZ ML EBE TNA EN ACIA BZ BTUNTZNSIHSL

TODAY'S CLUE: A EQUALS T

Monday's Cryptoquip: The secret of being a bore is to tell everything.

Now SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Seetharama Kalyana	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Bazaar	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Mataash	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
KGF	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Anukta	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Bhootha Kaala	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
KGF	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
URI-The Surgical Strike	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Mashooka	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
TELUGU			
F2 - Fun and Frustration	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

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KGF (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Ek Ladki Ko Dekha Tho Aisa Laga (H)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
	(S-4)	7.15 pm, 9.50 pm
URI- The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-1)	4.15 pm, 7.05, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 am
Escape Room (E)	(S-2)	10.50 am, 9.55 pm
Manikarnika - Queen Of Jhansi (H)	(S-2)	1.00 pm, 4.00 pm
Bazaar (K)	(S-2)	6.55 pm
Mataash (K)	(S-3)	10.15 am
Sarvam Thalamayam (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Peranbu (Ta)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Seetharama Kalyana (K)	(S-3)	6.55 pm
	(S-4)	1.05 pm
Allu Ramendran (Feature Film-Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven (Ta)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

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URI- The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 4.05 pm
		7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Ek Ladki Ko Dekha Tho Aisa Laga (H)	(S-1)	9.45 am, 2.30 pm
		5.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Manikarnika - The Queen Of Jhansi (H)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Seetharama Kalyana (K)	(S-2)	12.55 pm
Escape Room (E)	(S-1)	12.15 pm, 7.40 pm
Mataash (K)	(S-4)	3.35 pm
Sarvam Thalamayam (Ta)	(S-4)	12.50 pm
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven (Ta)	(S-3)	3.25 pm
Peranbu (Ta)	(S-3)	9.45 pm
Bazaar (K)	(S-3)	9.45 am, 6.35 pm
Anuktha (K)	(S-4)	10.05 am
Trayodasha (K)	(S-3)	12.55 pm
Allu Ramendran (Feature Film) (Ma)	(S-4)	6.40 pm

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Ek Ladki Ko Dekha Toh Aisa Laga (H)	10.30 am, 1.10 pm
	3.50 pm, 7.20 pm, 10 pm
Escape Room (E)	11 am, 4.50 pm, 10 pm
Sarvam Thaala Mayam (Ta)	12.40 pm
URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	12.50 pm, 3.50 pm, 6.50 pm
Mataash (K)	1.20 pm
Manikarnika: The Queen of Jhansi (H)	3.30 pm
Peranbu (Ta)	6.30 pm
Bazaar (K)	6.45 pm
Anukta (K)	9.50 pm
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven (Ta)	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (FEB.6)

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti: Discourse on 'Mahabharata Vanaparva' by Pt. Be.Na. Vijayindracharya, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre: Technical Talk on 'Rejuvenation of Rivers Flowing in India' by Dr. K. Subramanya, Professor (retd.), Civil Engineering Department, IIT, Kannur, Dr. R. Suresh, Chairman, IEI Mysuru, presides, D.K. Dinesh Kumar, Hon. Secretary, IEI Mysuru, will be present, SP Bhat Hall, Institution premises, **6 pm.**

Sri Chamundeshwari Kripashrita Seva Sangha, Road leading to foothills of Chamundi: Sri Dattatreyamurthy Pratishtaapananga Mandala Homa Puja, Yagashala Pravesha, Ganapati Homa, Punyaha, Panchagavya, Kalashasthapane, Naivedya, Mahamangalarati, **6 pm;** Tatva Bhajana programme by Guru Bhakta Mandali, **7 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: 32nd Anniversary Celebrations and Sri Tyagaraja-Sri Purandaradasa Aradhana Mahotsava, violin recital by Ambaprasad, accompanied by URR Bhargava - mridanga and S. Manjunath - ghata, Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Puttaswamy Mithra Vrinda Mysuru and Kannada and Culture Department: Staging of Beluru Krishnamurthy's play 'Thyagi,' Tagaduru Ramachandra's Park, Chamundipuram, **7 pm.**

Sri Raghavendra Swamy Brindavana Sannidhana: Sri Madhwanavami Mahotsava, discourse on 'Sri Sumadva Vijaya' by Vid. Sri Nagarahalli Raghavendracharya, Tatva Jnana Mandira, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Brindavana Sannidhana, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB.7)

Sri Raghavendra Swamy Brindavana Sannidhana: Sri Madhwanavami Mahotsava, Puja rituals, **8.30 am to 9.30 am;** Discourse on 'Sri Sumadva Vijaya' by Vid. Sri Nagarahalli Raghavendracharya, Tatva Jnana Mandira, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Brindavana Sannidhana, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Chamundeshwari Kripashrita Seva Sangha, Road leading to foothills of Chamundi: Sri Dattatreyamurthy Pratishtaapananga Mandala Homa Puja, Punyaha, Homas, Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, **7 am.**

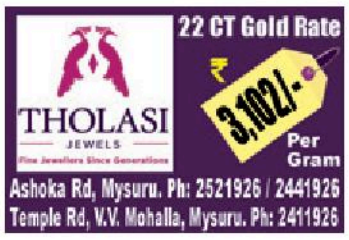
Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Mahajana First Grade College, Jayalakshmipuram: Lecture on 'Kuvempu's Malenadina Chitragalu' by retd. Joint Director of Collegiate Education Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, Mahajana FGC Principal Dr. S. Vankataramu presides, College premises, **10.30 am.**

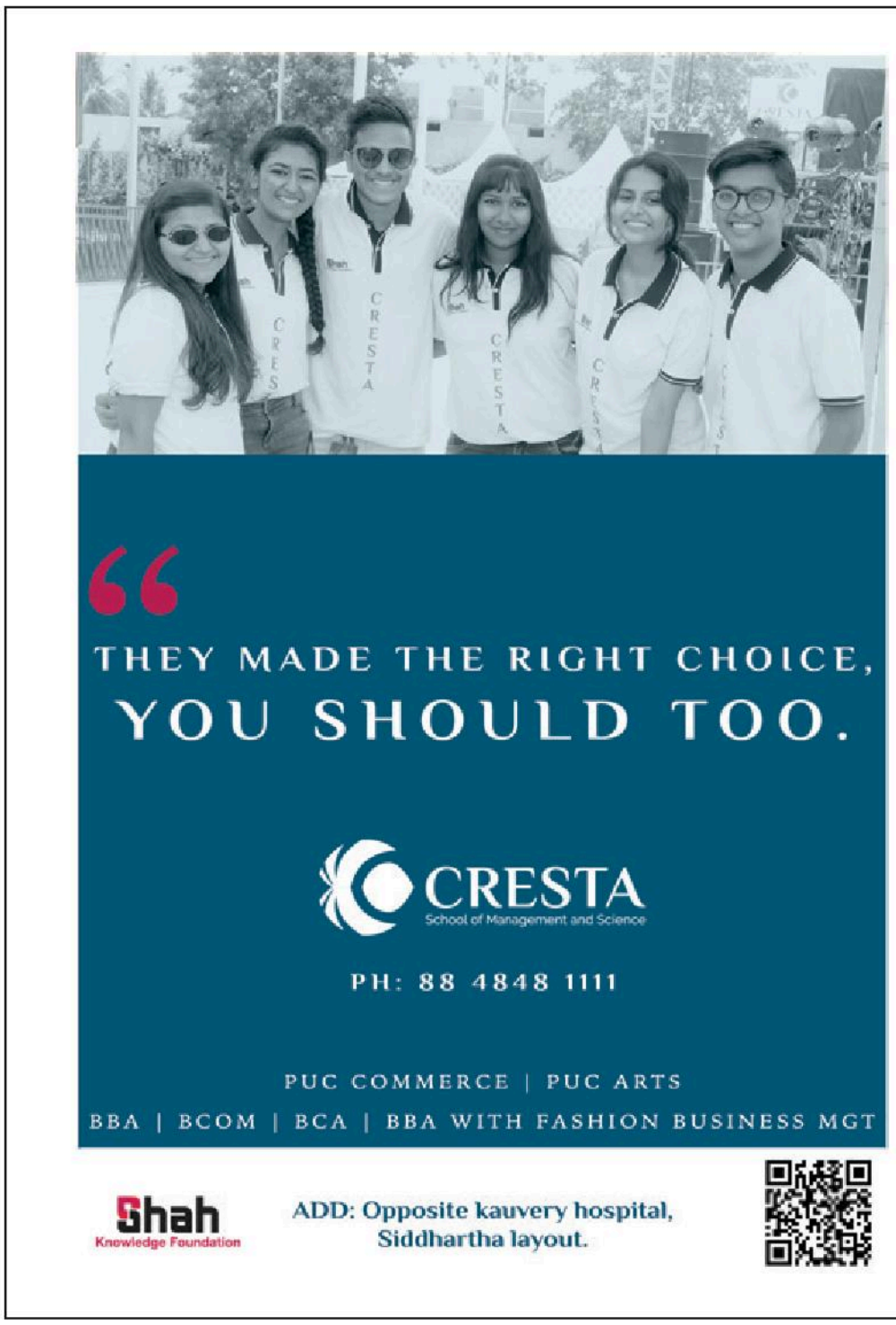
Tiny Tots Preschool: 2nd Annual Day celebrations, Dr. S. Madhusudhan, formerly Associate Professor and Consultant Orthodontist, Nandini Dental Clinic, Vidyaranyapuram, chief guest, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **4.30 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti: Discourse on 'Mahabharata Vanaparva' by Pt. Be.Na. Vijayindracharya, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Durga Sapthashati,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: 32nd Anniversary Celebrations and Sri Tyagaraja-Sri Purandaradasa Aradhana Mahotsava, veena recital by Dr. Veena Ravikumar, accompanied by PSS Sridhar Rao - mridanga and Vikram Bharadwaj - ghata, Sri Lakshminarasimha Temple, Srirampura, **6.30 pm.**





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